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| PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)  |                                  |                 | Docket Number (Optional) |                  |
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| Application Number 10/827,502   |                                  |                 | Filed April 19, 2004     |                  |
| For CONTACT NOZZLE FOR ELECTRIC ARC WELDING   |                                  |                 |                          |                  |
| Art Unit 1725   |                                  |                 | Examiner SHAW, C.C.      |                  |
| This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.  |                                  |                 |                          |                  |
| The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):   |                                  |                 |                          |                  |
|   |                                  | <u>Fee</u>      | Small Entity Fee         |                  |
|   | One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))    | \$120           | \$60                     | \$               |
|   | Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))   | \$450           | \$225                    | <b>\$</b> 450.00 |
|   | Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$1020          | \$510                    | \$               |
|   | Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))  | \$1590          | \$795                    | \$               |
|   | Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))  | \$2160          | \$1080                   | \$               |
| Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.  |                                  |                 |                          |                  |
| A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.   |                                  |                 |                          |                  |
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| The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.   |                                  |                 |                          |                  |
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| I am the applicant/inventor.  |                                  |                 |                          |                  |
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